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Customer No. 22,852
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Keiji FUJITA et al.) Group Art Unit: 2813
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Serial No.: 10/701,476) Examiner: Pham, Thanhha S.
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Filed: November 6, 2003)
) Confirmation No.: 8591
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND)
METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING)
THE SAME)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated October 6, 2004, the period for response to which extends through November 8, 2004, (November 6, 2004, being a Saturday), the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Invention I, claims 1-9, characterized by the Examiner as drawn to a semiconductor device and Invention II, claims 10-20 characterized by the Examiner as drawn to a method for manufacturing a semiconductor device. The Examiner further restricted claims 1-9 to Species Ia and Species Ib, and further restricted claims 10-20 to Species IIa and Species IIb.

Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Invention II, Species IIb, on which claims 17-20 read, without traverse.

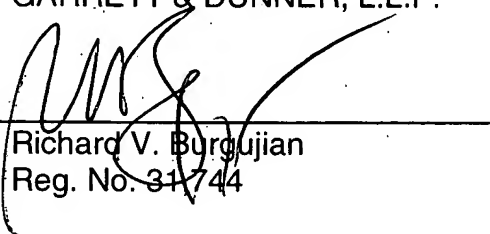
Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: November 2, 2004

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